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**From:** VAExecSec  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 11, 2018 7:55 AM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Executive Order – Excepting Administrative Law Judges from the Competitive Service

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From: AllAgencyHeads [mailto:ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV] On Behalf Of OPMExecSec  
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2018 4:17 PM  
To: ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Executive Order – Excepting Administrative Law Judges from the Competitive Service

Good afternoon:

Today OPM's Human Resources Solutions and Employee Services divisions issued a joint memorandum titled, "Executive Order – Excepting Administrative Law Judges (ALJ) from the Competitive Service."

A 508-conformant version of this memorandum and Executive Order are available online for the benefit of visually-impaired readers at:

- \* <https://chcoc.gov/content/executive-order-%E2%80%93-excepting-administrative-law-judges-competitive-service>
- \* <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/executive-order-excepting-administrative-law-judges-competitive-service/>

If you have any follow-up questions, please address them to:

- \* Ms. Kimberly A. Holden, Deputy Associate Director for Talent Acquisition and Workforce Shaping, at [Kimberly.Holden@opm.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Holden@opm.gov) or (202) 606-8097 for information on excepted service employment; or
- \* Ms. Leslie Pollack, Deputy Associate Director for Human Resources Strategy and Evaluation Solutions, at [Leslie.Pollack@opm.gov](mailto:Leslie.Pollack@opm.gov), or (202) 606-3822 for information on ALJ program administration.

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U.S. Office of Personnel Management  
202-606-(b) (6)

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**From:** VAExecSec  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:31 PM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Guidance for Implementation of Executive Order 13836 - Developing Efficient, Effective, and Cost-Reducing Approaches to Federal Sector Collective Bargaining

-----Original Message-----

From: AllAgencyHeads [mailto:ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV] On Behalf Of OPMExecSec  
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To: ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Guidance for Implementation of Executive Order 13836 - Developing Efficient, Effective, and Cost-Reducing Approaches to Federal Sector Collective Bargaining

Good afternoon:

Today OPM issued guidance for the implementation of Executive Order 13836 "Developing Efficient, Effective, and Cost-Reducing Approaches to Federal Sector Collective Bargaining." A 508-conformant version of the guidance and attachments are available online for the benefit of visually-impaired readers at: <https://chcoc.gov/content/guidance-implementation-executive-order-13836-developing-efficient-effective-and-cost>

If you have any follow-up questions, please email [awr@opm.gov](mailto:awr@opm.gov) or call (202) 606-2930.

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**From:** VAExecSec  
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**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Guidance for Implementation of Executive Order 13837 – Ensuring Transparency, Accountability, and Efficiency in Taxpayer-Funded Union Time Use

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**From:** AllAgencyHeads [mailto:ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV] On Behalf Of OPMExecSec  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Guidance for Implementation of Executive Order 13837 – Ensuring Transparency, Accountability, and Efficiency in Taxpayer-Funded Union Time Use

Good afternoon:

Today OPM issued guidance for the implementation of Executive Order 13837 “Ensuring Transparency, Accountability, and Efficiency in Taxpayer-Funded Union Time Use.” A 508-conformant version of the guidance and attachment are available online for the benefit of visually-impaired readers at: <https://chcoc.gov/content/guidance-implementation-executive-order-13837-%E2%80%93-ensuring-transparency-accountability-and>

If you have any follow-up questions, please email [awr@opm.gov](mailto:awr@opm.gov) or call (202) 606-2930.

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**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Guidance for Implementation of Executive Order 13839 - Promoting Accountability and Streamlining Removal Procedures Consistent with Merit System Principles

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To: ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] OPM Memo: Guidance for Implementation of Executive Order 13839 - Promoting Accountability and Streamlining Removal Procedures Consistent with Merit System Principles

Good afternoon:

Today OPM issued guidance for the implementation of Executive Order 13839 "Promoting Accountability and Streamlining Removal Procedures Consistent with Merit System Principles." A 508-conformant version of the guidance and attachments are available online for the benefit of visually-impaired readers at:  
<https://chcoc.gov/content/guidance-implementation-executive-order-13839-promoting-accountability-and-streamlining>

If you have any follow-up questions, please email  
EmployeeAccountability@opm.gov<mailto:EmployeeAccountability@opm.gov> or call (202) 606-2930.

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**From:** VAExecSec  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:32 PM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: (Reminder) FY2017 Office of the National Ombudsman Federal Agency Questionnaire  
**Attachments:** FY 2017 Federal Agency Questionnaire\_Nov 8 2017.docx

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**From:** (b) (6) [mailto:(b) (6)@sba.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:00 PM  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] (Reminder) FY2017 Office of the National Ombudsman Federal Agency Questionnaire

Federal Agency Partners,

The Office of the National Ombudsman has no record of receiving your agency's response to the FY2017 Office of the National Ombudsman questionnaire (see attachment).

If you have submitted it, please accept my apologies and resubmit your completed questionnaire to (b) (6) [sba.gov](mailto:(b) (6)@sba.gov).

If you have not submitted it, please submit your completed questionnaire to (b) (6) [sba.gov](mailto:(b) (6)@sba.gov).

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**From:** (b) (6)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 08, 2017 4:04 PM

Cc: 'ombudsman@sba.gov'; (b) (6)  
Subject: FY2017 Office of the National Ombudsman Federal Agency Questionnaire

Dear Federal Agency Partners,

Thank you for collaborating with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of the National Ombudsman (ONO) over the course of FY2017 to level the regulatory playing field for small businesses. We are grateful that you have partnered with us to address regulatory concerns voiced by small businesses and reach fair resolution of issues that they have raised to our attention. We are also thankful to many of you who have created unique opportunities for us to expand our reach to thousands of small business owners with whom you've interacted over the past year. In FY2017, we received, and worked with you to respond to, a total of 460 comments from small businesses—the highest volume we have received over the past decade.

Our *2016 Annual Report to Congress* will soon be ready for publication. You will be among the first to be notified when it becomes available for download on our website.

We have initiated work on the preparation of our *2017 Annual Report to Congress*. As you are aware, Federal agencies are rated annually on the extent to which they comply with the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA). Your responses to the Federal Agency Questionnaire (attached) are taken into account in determining your respective agency's ratings.

This year, we have incorporated three additional questions to ascertain Federal agencies' compliance with Section 212 SBREFA requirements. These new questions are marked with an asterisk (\*). Specifically, you will be asked (1) whether your agency published any rule(s) and therefore, was required to publish, post, and distribute small entity compliance guide(s) in FY2017, and if yes, (2) whether your agency has published one or more small entity compliance guides on the date of the publication of a final rule or shortly thereafter, and (3) whether your agency will submit an *FY2017 Annual Report on Small Entity Compliance Guides* to the U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship and the House Small Business Committee by Feb 1, 2018. **Please note that *your responses* to these new questions *will not impact your 2017 Federal Agency Ratings*. Beginning in 2018, your responses to these questions *will be taken into account in determining your 2018 Federal Agency Ratings*.**

Responses to the questionnaire are due within 3 weeks by **November 29, 2017**.

Please submit your agency's responses to each question, including documentation referenced in your responses, to [ombudsman@sba.gov](mailto:ombudsman@sba.gov).

If necessary, please send any supporting documentation to:

U.S. Small Business Administration  
Office of the National Ombudsman  
409 Third Street, S.W.  
Mail Code 2120  
Washington, D.C. 20416

If you are not the appropriate individual to receive this questionnaire, please forward this email to the appropriate POC at your agency, with a cc: to [ombudsman@sba.gov](mailto:ombudsman@sba.gov) so that we may update our records.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. (b) (6) by telephone at 202-401-(b) (6) or Ms. (b) (6) at 202-205-6499, or via email at (b) (6)@sba.gov or (b) (6)@sba.gov, respectively.

Sent on behalf of the SBA Office of the National Ombudsman:  
Nathan J. Miller, National Ombudsman and Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Enforcement Fairness  
(b) (6), Deputy National Ombudsman (Acting)

(b) (6), Case Management Specialist  
(b) (6), Case Management Specialist

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U.S. Small Business Administration

**FY2017 Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act Questionnaire**  
*(Please respond by November 29, 2017)*

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of the National Ombudsman (ONO) appreciates the efforts of its Federal agency partners in providing information necessary for ONO to assess Federal agencies' compliance with Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA) Congressional reporting requirements.

- Please be specific in addressing the questions below and provide all requested materials.
- Responses should reflect formal agency policies in place during Fiscal Year 2017. Responses will be used to determine letter grade ratings in three categories relating to SBREFA requirements, as well as an overall rating. Information regarding the ratings criteria and additional instructions are provided on pages 3 – 4.

**1. Non-retaliation Policies**

A. Internal: Does the agency have a written policy regarding non-retaliation against small businesses available to all employees?

**YES**\_\_\_\_\_ **NO**\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide a copy and indicate how the policy is disseminated and what, if any, employee training or education pertaining to non-retaliation against small businesses is provided.

B. Public: Does the agency have a published non-retaliation policy against small businesses widely available to small entities?

**YES**\_\_\_\_\_ **NO**\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide a copy and indicate how the policy is disseminated (include web link(s)).

**2. Compliance Assistance**

A. Does the agency provide small businesses with regulatory compliance assistance in the form of generally-applicable, written compliance guidance or similar written information?

**YES**\_\_\_\_\_ **NO**\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide copies and indicate how the guidance is disseminated (include web link(s)).

B. Does the agency provide small business compliance assistance (e.g., training or counseling) other than generally-applicable, written guidance?

**YES**\_\_\_\_\_ **NO**\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please state the name and/ or contact information of the designated agency compliance contact (s).



Describe the assistance available, how it is delivered (e.g., on the agency's website or otherwise), and indicate whether individually-tailored compliance assistance is provided to small businesses.

- C. Did the agency publish any rule(s) in FY2017 and hence, was required to publish, post, and distribute small entity compliance guides in FY2017?\* (If NO, please skip to Question 3).

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

- D. If and when a final rule has been issued, has the agency published one or more small entity compliance guides on the date of publication of the final rule (or as soon as possible after that date) and not later than the date on which the requirements of that rule become effective, as mandated by Section 212 of SBREFA?\*

For each rule issued in FY2017, please specify:

- Name of Rule: \_\_\_\_\_
- Published one or more small entity compliance guide associated with that rule?  
YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_
- Guide was published by the required timelines noted above?  
YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

*Please attach additional sheets if there was more than one rule published.*

- E. Will the agency submit a *2017 Annual Report on Small Entity Compliance Guides* to the U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship and the House Small Business Committee no later than Feb 1, 2018, as required by Section 212 of SBREFA?\*

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. **SBREFA Notification**

- A. Does the agency provide public notice regarding small entities' rights under SBREFA, including the right to file a comment with the SBA National Ombudsman?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please provide a copy and indicate how the notice is disseminated (include web link(s)).

- B. If and when the agency issues a citation, notice of regulatory violation, charge of violation, or the like to a particular small business, is written notice of small entities' SBREFA rights included in the issuance?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please include samples of the written notice(s) provided.

Name of Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Name, email, and phone number of the individual(s) completing the Questionnaire: \_\_\_\_\_

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## *Federal Agencies Ratings Criteria*

### **Non-Retaliation Policies**

- The agency has a written non-retaliation policy available to all employees and a published non-retaliation policy that is readily available to small entities online or otherwise.
- “Non-retaliation” policies refer to policies that are designed to prevent acts that punish small business concerns for complaining or commenting about an agency action. The agency must provide a copy of its policy and provide the web address for policies that are available to the public.

### **Compliance Assistance**

- The agency has published small business compliance guide(s) and assistance as described in Section 212 of SBREFA, if required.\*
- The small business compliance guide(s) and assistance were published on the date of publication of the final rule(s) (or as soon as possible after that date) and not later than the date on which the requirements of that rule(s) became effective in compliance with SBREFA.\*
- The agency has provided a compliance assistance telephone number, a compliance assistance website and/or a compliance assistance point of contact available to small business concerns.
- The agency has provided, and is able to document, the availability of compliance assistance education.
- The agency will submit an *FY2017 Annual Report on Small Entity Compliance Guides* to the U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship and the House Small Business Committee no later than February 1, 2018, as required by Section 212 of SBREFA.\*

*Please note that agencies’ responses to the three new questions marked with an asterisk (\*) will not impact their 2017 Federal Agency Ratings. Beginning in 2018, their responses to these questions will be taken into account in determining their 2018 Federal Agency Ratings.*

### **SBREFA Notification**

- The agency has provided public notice of small entities’ SBREFA rights, including contact information for the SBA Office of the National Ombudsman (ONO).
- When each citation or notice of regulatory violation is issued, the agency has provided written notice to small entities about their right to comment about the enforcement/compliance process to ONO.

In addition, ONO will compile and rate the **timeliness** and **quality** of agency responses based on a review of actual case filings.

### **Timeliness**

- 30 days or less = A
- 31 to 60 days = B
- 61 to 90 days = C
- 91 to 120 days = D
- Over 120 days = F

Response time is calculated from the day a specific comment is forwarded to the agency until a response is received by the ONO. If circumstances warrant, ONO may accept requests for additional time to respond and/or

interim responses. In such instances, ONO will take into consideration the specific circumstances in assessing the agency's timeliness. ONO considers timeliness based on business days, not calendar days.

### **Quality of response**

- The agency addressed all of the applicable questions posed in ONO's letter and responded to the specific comment(s) made by the small entity, provided sufficiently detailed information demonstrating that they have looked into the facts of the specific comment and the actions taken by agency personnel involved in taking the enforcement or compliance action.
- The agency response came from a high-level representative (i.e., someone from the agency with SBREFA responsibilities or someone from the program office with oversight responsibilities related to the comment).
- Grades assigned will be differentiated based upon the quality of the information provided in the agency response and the extent to which the response has adequately addressed the small business filer's concern(s). To receive an "A" rating, for instance, a high-level agency official has provided comprehensive responses that have directly addressed the concerns raised.

### ***Supplemental Information***

We welcome the opportunity to assist our agency partners in developing and implementing policies that are fully SBREFA compliant. For assistance, please contact Ms. (b) (6), Deputy National Ombudsman, by telephone at 202-205-(b) (6) or via email at (b) (6)@sba.gov.

Agencies are encouraged to submit additional information that demonstrates how they have met the aforementioned SBREFA requirements. This may include specific examples illustrating how the agency has promoted regulatory enforcement and compliance fairness for small entities, including individualized compliance assistance, the amount of fines abated, and/ or other forms of regulatory relief provided to the small business based on its size and / or other considerations.

### ***Questions***

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. (b) (6) (b) (6) sba.gov / (202) 401-(b) (6) or Ms. (b) (6)@sba.gov / (202) 205-(b) (6) Case Management Specialists.

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**From:** VAExecSec  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 11, 2018 7:46 AM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: Appreciation for Participating in the 2017 Activation of the DHS SCF  
**Attachments:** 2018.06.14 SCF Appreciation VA.PDF

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**From:** FEMAExecSec [mailto:FEMAExecSec@fema.dhs.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 09, 2018 10:11 AM  
**To:** VAExecSec <VAExecSec@va.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Appreciation for Participating in the 2017 Activation of the DHS SCF

Hello,

FEMA wants to confirm that you received the attached memo from Homeland Security Secretary, Kirstjen Nielsen, expressing appreciation for participating in the 2017 activation of the DHS Surge Capacity Force and were able to pass this along to your leadership. If your leadership has any questions, they can reach out to FEMA Senior Advisor, (b) (6) at (b) (6) [@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:(b) (6)@fema.dhs.gov).

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Homeland  
Security

June 14, 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR: Department of Veterans Affairs

FROM: Kirstjen M. Nielsen  
Secretary

SUBJECT: **Appreciation for Participating in the 2017 Activation of the  
DHS Surge Capacity Force**

Acting Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Elaine Duke activated the DHS Surge Capacity Force (SCF) on August 25, 2017, to assist the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the response and recovery efforts from the impacts of Hurricane Harvey. As the unprecedented 2017 Hurricane Season unfolded, our Agency relied on SCF support to ensure FEMA could effectively execute disaster operations following Hurricanes Irma and Maria, and the California wildfires. To maintain a robust capability to support disaster survivors, DHS expanded the SCF, growing partnerships with FEMA to increase capacity to meet the needs of survivors following extraordinary disasters. From across the Federal Government, over 4,000 volunteers representing 36 Agencies answered the call to assist our efforts across multiple disasters.

The Department of Veterans Affairs provided 10 volunteers to support our Nation's response to the disasters and to support disaster survivors in their recovery from tremendous devastation to their communities. Your agency's support proved vital to effective execution of response and recovery operations. SCF volunteers engaged in a variety of emergency management support efforts, including:

- Direct support to disaster survivors, both in the field and in call centers, helping them to navigate available programs and apply for Federal disaster assistance;
- Logistics support with the FEMA team to move commodities, build out temporary support facilities, and coordinate responder lodging, etc.; and
- Many other support jobs and tasks to assist the FEMA team in responding to citizens' needs across the southeast and the Caribbean.

On behalf of FEMA and DHS, thank you and your employees for your dedication, service and for the many sacrifices you made to support other Americans in need.

As we begin the 2018 hurricane season, recruitment of interested SCF volunteers is ongoing. Applicants selected to support the SCF can sign up to support FEMA operations and

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engage directly with disaster survivors, helping them to navigate available disaster assistance programs.

Individuals who are interested in volunteering for the SCF in the future should visit the [DHS Surge Capacity Force webpage](#). To learn more about the SCF program and how to participate, review the attached FAQs and reach out to [SurgeCapacityForce@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:SurgeCapacityForce@fema.dhs.gov).

Thank you again for your support to FEMA and DHS and for answering the call to help our state, local, tribal, and territorial partners respond to disasters and to help survivors recover.

Attachment: Surge Capacity Force Frequently Asked Questions

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**From:** VAExecSec  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 18, 2018 7:32 AM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: Case ID#PR-030053 - Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney - Sep 13 17  
**Attachments:** PR-030053 - Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney - Sep 13 17.pdf

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**From:** FN-WHO-Document Tracking Unit [mailto:(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) who.eop.gov]  
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**To:** VAExecSec <VAExecSec@va.gov>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Case ID#PR-030053 - Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney - Sep 13 17

**THE WHITE HOUSE  
OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT  
DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT AND TRACKING UNIT**

**Please see attached letter addressed to the President from Congressional Member(s).**

To: Department of Veteran Affairs

Action Requested: **Appropriate Action**

**Please send a copy of response or draft response for signature (if one is requested) to the Document Management and Tracking Unit mailbox, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) [WHO.EOP.GOV](mailto:WHO.EOP.GOV). include any additional comments and/or actions taken by your agency. If more information is needed call (202) 456-(b) (6), (b) (7)**



**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-3218**

September 13, 2017

President Donald J. Trump  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing you today on an urgent matter and one of serious concern to veterans in the Hudson Valley. I have received word that the Department of Veterans Affairs intends to deny Hudson River Housing's application for renewal of their Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program (SSVF) grant funding. These funds are essential to providing services for homeless veterans, their families, and veterans at risk of becoming homeless. This is unacceptable, and I request that you immediately grant Hudson River Housing a one year extension of their grant funding.

The SSVF grant funds five full-time staffers at Hudson River Housing, two of whom are veterans themselves. Their jobs will be lost without these funds, and they will be unable to provide essential services to homeless Hudson Valley veterans and their families. Through the good work of these folks at Hudson River Housing, Dutchess County has been able to effectively end homelessness among veterans. But with the loss of the SSVF grant, dozens of veterans with cases in the program could find themselves back out on the streets. This is, simply put, unacceptable.

During your campaign you made veterans' issues a key part of your agenda. You promised to care for our veterans. But by denying Hudson River Housing these critical funds, you are breaking that promise. If your administration fails to provide a one year extension of this funding, it is a betrayal of those who have put everything on the line for our country and given the American people a blank check payable with their lives. Mr. President, I ask you to do the right thing, keep your word to our veterans, and restore this critical funding to the dedicated people of Hudson River Housing.

I look forward to your response, and please do not hesitate to contact me at my Washington, D.C. office should you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Sean Patrick Maloney  
Member of Congress



Congress of the United States

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Washington, DC 20515-3218

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The White House  
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**From:** VAExecSec  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Fix NICS Act of 2018

Good Afternoon,

Attached please find important information from the Attorney General about implementation of the Fix NICS Act of 2018. Each agency should comply with the Act's reporting requirements by submitting comprehensive documents that cover the entire agency. Accordingly, if you are a parent agency, please coordinate with all of your components or offices to ensure their information is included in your responses.

Thank You!



# Office of the Attorney General

Washington, D. C. 20530

July 16, 2018

## MEMORANDUM FOR ALL HEADS OF FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

FROM: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 

SUBJECT: Implementation of the Fix NICS Act

Every year, the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) denies tens of thousands of attempted firearm purchases by criminals and other persons prohibited from possessing them. However, the NICS is only as good as the information that is available to it. Without accurate, complete, and timely information, the NICS cannot reach its full potential in helping us keep guns out of the hands of those who are a risk to public safety. Earlier this year, with strong support from President Trump, Congress passed the Fix NICS Act, Pub. L. 115-141, tit. VI, which aims to improve the NICS in a number of ways, including through new reporting requirements for every federal department and agency. I am writing to ensure you are aware of these new requirements and to provide some additional information to assist in your efforts to comply with the Fix NICS Act.

Over a decade ago, Congress enacted the NICS Improvement Amendments Act of 2007 (NIAA), 18 U.S.C. § 922 note, to increase the quantity and quality of relevant records accessible to the system. Among other things, the NIAA requires federal departments and agencies to submit relevant records to the NICS electronically, on no less than a quarterly basis.

In the years since the passage of the NIAA, federal agency reporting to the NICS has grown dramatically. But there is still room for improvement, and compliance with the new requirements of the Fix NICS Act will help us get there. In particular, the Fix NICS Act requires each federal agency to:

- (1) On a semiannual basis, submit a written certification to the Attorney General indicating whether the agency is in compliance with the record submission requirements of the NIAA.
- (2) Establish an implementation plan to improve reporting, including through automated reporting, of records required by the NIAA and to improve the verification of the accuracy of submitted records.

With the first of these deadlines approaching—the first semiannual certification is due on July 31, 2018—I wanted to provide you with some additional information that may be useful as your agency undertakes compliance efforts. Attached to this memo you will find:

Attachment A: A more detailed description of the requirements of the Fix NICS Act as they pertain to federal agencies and information on how to submit the required certifications and implementation plans.

Attachment B: Additional information on the ten categories of persons who are prohibited under federal law from receiving or possessing a firearm, which is relevant to your agency's determination of which records should be made available to the NICS.

Attachment C: Additional information regarding the mechanics of submitting your agency's relevant records to the NICS.

Attachment D: The current statutory language of 34 U.S.C. § 40901, as amended by the Fix NICS Act.

The Fix NICS Act requires that I inform Congress and the public on a semiannual basis of those agencies that have not provided the required certifications or implementation plans or that are not in compliance with applicable reporting requirements. Additionally, beginning in fiscal year 2019, political appointees of non-complying federal departments or agencies may be ineligible for bonus pay.

The Department of Justice acknowledges and appreciates the efforts agencies are undertaking to comply with the requirements of the Fix NICS Act, and we stand ready to assist you in this effort. I encourage you to contact the FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services Division's NICS Program at (844) 265-6716 or [nicsliaison@fbi.gov](mailto:nicsliaison@fbi.gov) if you have questions about the information that should be made available to the NICS or the new reporting requirements.

This work is critical to ensuring that the background check system functions as Congress intended it to. I deeply appreciate your cooperation in this effort. Together, we can enforce the law and keep the American people safe.

Attachments

## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **FIX NICS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

The Fix NICS Act requires that federal agencies submit a semiannual certification to the Attorney General indicating whether the department or agency is in compliance with the NICS record submission requirements. In addition, agencies are further directed to establish an implementation plan for improving the completeness and accuracy of their submissions.

***Semiannual Certification.*** Beginning with a report due on July 31, 2018, your agency must submit a semiannual written certification to the Attorney General indicating whether your agency is in compliance with the record submission requirements of the NIAA. Pub. L. 115-141, § 602. Certifications must be submitted no later than January 31 and July 31 of each calendar year, and shall address all relevant records, including those that have not been transmitted to the Attorney General, that were in the possession of your agency during the previous six-month reporting period (January 1 through June 30 for the July certification; July 1 through December 31 for the January certification). Your certification must state, for the applicable period:

1. The total number of records of your agency demonstrating that a person falls within one of the categories of persons prohibited from purchasing or possessing firearms;
2. For each prohibition category, the total number of records that your agency has provided to the Attorney General; and
3. Your agency's efforts to ensure complete and accurate reporting of relevant records, including efforts to monitor compliance and correct any reporting failures or inaccuracies. At a minimum, the certification should describe the specific challenges, burdens, or conflicting interests your agency encounters in submitting the records, and any efforts you have undertaken to address or mitigate those concerns.

In identifying your agency's relevant records, please consider all subdivisions that may exist within your agency to ensure that your certification is comprehensive and representative of your entire agency. If your agency does not create any relevant records, and does not expect to create any relevant records, you should so indicate in your initial (July 31, 2018) semiannual certification. In such cases, your agency need not submit an implementation plan or subsequent semiannual certifications until further notice from the Attorney General or unless your agency subsequently begins creating relevant records.

**Directions for Submitting the Semiannual Certification.** To submit your agency's Semiannual Certification, please e-mail the document to [nicsliaison@fbi.gov](mailto:nicsliaison@fbi.gov). When you do so, please identify a point of contact for your agency for future communications from the FBI regarding the semiannual certifications.

***Implementation Plan.*** In addition to the semiannual certifications, agencies must establish, in coordination with the Attorney General, a "plan to ensure maximum coordination

and automated reporting or making available of records to the Attorney General” as required by the NIAA and “the verification of the accuracy of those records, including the pre-validation of those records where appropriate.” Pub. L. 105-141, § 602. The Implementation Plan should cover a four-year period specified in the plan. The Implementation Plan must be submitted by March 22, 2019 (within one year of the enactment of the Fix NICS Act), and must include the following benchmarks:

1. Qualitative goals and quantitative measures;
2. Measures to monitor internal compliance, including any reporting failures and inaccuracies;
3. A needs assessment, including estimated compliance costs; and
4. An estimated date by which your agency will fully comply with the record submission requirements of the NIAA.

Once again, please consider all subdivisions that may exist within your agency to ensure that your implementation plan is comprehensive and representative of your entire agency. More detailed information and guidance regarding implementation plans will be provided in the coming months. If your agency does not create any relevant records, and you have so advised the Department in your initial semiannual certification, you need not submit an Implementation Plan.

Directions for Submitting Implementation Plan. To submit your agency’s Implementation Plan, please e-mail the document to [nicsliaison@fbi.gov](mailto:nicsliaison@fbi.gov).

## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **NATIONAL INSTANT CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK SYSTEM (NICS) FEDERAL PROHIBITORS**

#### **I. Identification of Relevant Records**

Information is relevant for the NICS when it can be used to make a final determination of an individual's eligibility to possess or receive a firearm under federal firearms laws. There are 10 categories of persons who are prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing, or receiving firearms under federal firearms law:

- (1) Persons with felony or misdemeanor convictions based on imprisonment timeframes;
- (2) Fugitives from justice;
- (3) Persons unlawfully using or addicted to any controlled substance;
- (4) Persons adjudicated "mentally defective" or committed to a mental institution;
- (5) Illegal/unlawful aliens, and aliens admitted on a non-immigrant visa;
- (6) Persons dishonorably discharged from the military;
- (7) Citizen renunciates;
- (8) Persons subject to a domestic violence restraining order;
- (9) Persons convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence;
- (10) Persons under indictment.

What follows is information about each of these 10 categories, based on statutory and regulatory text and court decisions interpreting them,<sup>1</sup> so that your agency can assess what records may be relevant.

#### **A. Persons with Felony or Misdemeanor Convictions Based on Imprisonment Timeframes**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1), any person "who has been convicted in any court of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year" is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws.

Please note the following three important things about this prohibitor:

- *First*, this category applies to any person who has been convicted—including by general court-martial—of any offense that is *punishable* by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, whether or not such term of imprisonment was imposed.
- *Second*, the term "offense punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year" does not include (a) any federal or state offenses pertaining to antitrust violations, unfair trade practices, restraints of trade or other similar offenses relating

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<sup>1</sup> Information in this section is based on the Gun Control Act of 1968, 18 U.S.C. §§ 921 and 922, 27 C.F.R. 478.11, and court decisions interpreting those provisions.

to the regulation of business practices, or (b) any state offense classified by the laws of the state as a misdemeanor and punishable by a term of imprisonment of two years or less.

- *Third*, what constitutes a conviction of such a crime shall be determined in accordance with the law of the jurisdiction in which the proceedings were held. Any conviction that has been expunged, or set aside, or for which a person has been pardoned or has had civil rights restored, shall not be considered a conviction, unless such pardon, expungement or restoration of civil rights expressly provides that the person may not ship, transport, possess or receive firearms.

**B. Fugitives from Justice**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(2), any person “who is a fugitive from justice” is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws. This prohibitor covers the following categories of individuals:

- (1) Any person who has fled from any state to avoid prosecution for a felony or a misdemeanor;
- (2) Any person who leaves the state to avoid giving testimony in any criminal proceeding;
- (3) Any person who knows that misdemeanor or felony charges are pending against such person and who leaves the state of prosecution.

Note that a person is not a fugitive from justice merely because he or she has an outstanding civil traffic citation; a criminal warrant must have been issued and the person must have fled.

**C. Persons Unlawfully Using or Addicted to Any Controlled Substance**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(3), any person “who is an unlawful user of or addicted to any controlled substance (as defined in section 102 of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. § 802))” is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws. ATF has clarified through regulations that this prohibitor covers the following categories of individuals:

- (1) Any person who uses a controlled substance and has lost the power of self-control with reference to the use of the controlled substance;
- (2) Any person who is a current user of a controlled substance in a manner other than as prescribed by a licensed physician.



Please note the following four important things about this prohibitor:

- *First*, unlawful use is not limited to the use of drugs on a particular day, or within a matter of days or weeks before receiving a firearm. Instead, the unlawful use only needs to have occurred recently enough to indicate that the individual is actively engaged in such conduct. A person may be an unlawful current user of a controlled substance even though the substance is not being used at the precise time the person seeks to acquire a firearm.
- *Second*, an inference of current use may be drawn from evidence of recent use or possession of a controlled substance, or a pattern of use or possession that reasonably covers the present time. For example,
  - A conviction for use or possession of a controlled substance within the past year; or
  - Multiple arrests for use or possession of a controlled substance within the past five years if the most recent arrest occurred within the past year.
- *Third*, for a current or former member of the Armed Forces, an inference of current use may be drawn from recent disciplinary or other administrative action based on confirmed drug use (*e.g.*, court-martial conviction, nonjudicial punishment or an administrative discharge based on drug use or drug rehabilitation failure).
- *Fourth*, the term “controlled substance” includes but is not limited to marijuana, depressants, stimulants and narcotic drugs. It does not include distilled spirits, wine, malt beverages or tobacco (as those terms are defined or used in Subtitle E of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended). *See* 21 U.S.C. § 802; 21 C.F.R. Part 1308. Marijuana is listed in the Controlled Substances Act as a Schedule I controlled substance. 21 U.S.C. § 812(c)(10). There are no exceptions in federal law for marijuana used for purported medicinal purposes. Accordingly, as a matter of federal law, anyone who uses marijuana, regardless of whether their state has passed legislation purporting to authorize marijuana use and regardless of whether they possess a state-issued marijuana card, is considered an “unlawful drug user” under 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(3).

**D. Persons Adjudicated “Mentally Defective” or Committed to a Mental Institution**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(4), any person “who has been adjudicated as a mental defective or who has been committed to a mental institution” is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws. ATF has clarified through regulations that this prohibitor covers the following circumstances and categories of individuals:

(1) A determination by a court, board, commission or other lawful authority that a person, as a result of marked subnormal intelligence, or mental illness, incompetency, condition or disease:

- Is a danger to himself, herself or others; or
- Lacks the mental capacity to contract or manage his or her own affairs.

This includes (1) a person found to be insane by a court in a criminal case, and (2) a person found incompetent to stand trial or found not guilty by reason of lack of mental responsibility pursuant to articles 50a and 76b of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 U.S.C. §§ 850a, 876b.

(2) A formal commitment of a person to a mental institution by a court, board, commission or other lawful authority. This includes commitment to a mental institution involuntarily, commitment for mental defectiveness or mental illness or commitment for other reasons, such as for drug use. It does not include a person in a mental institution for observation or a voluntary admission to a mental institution.

Please note the following four important things about this prohibitor:

- *First*, “mental institution” includes mental health facilities, mental hospitals, sanitariums, psychiatric facilities and other facilities that provide diagnoses by licensed professionals of mental retardation or mental illness, including a psychiatric ward in a general hospital.
- *Second*, “mental defective” does not include a person who has been granted relief from the disability through a qualifying federal or state relief from disability program as authorized by the NIAA.
- *Third*, “mental defective” also does not include a person whose adjudication or commitment was imposed by a *federal* department or agency, and:
  - The adjudication or commitment has been set aside or expunged, or the person has otherwise been fully released or discharged from all mandatory treatment, supervision or monitoring;
  - The person has been found by a court, board, commission or other lawful authority to no longer suffer from the mental health condition that was the basis of the adjudication or commitment, or has otherwise been found to be rehabilitated through any procedure available under law; or
  - The adjudication or commitment is based solely on a medical finding of disability, without an opportunity for a hearing by a court, board, commission or other lawful authority, and the person has not been adjudicated as a mental defective consistent with 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(4), except that nothing in this section or any other provision of law shall

prevent a federal department or agency from providing to the Attorney General any record demonstrating that a person was adjudicated to be not guilty by reason of insanity, or based on lack of mental responsibility, or found incompetent to stand trial, in any criminal case or under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

- *Fourth*, agencies that conduct mental health adjudications must provide both oral and written notice to the individual at the commencement of the adjudication process. Such notice must include:
  - Notification that adjudication of the person as a mental defective or commitment to a mental institution, when final, will prohibit the individual from purchasing, possessing, receiving, shipping or transporting a firearm or ammunition under 18 U.S.C. § 922(d)(4) or § 922(g)(4);
  - Information about the penalties imposed for unlawful possession, receipt, shipment or transportation of a firearm under 18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(2); and
  - Information about the availability of relief from the disabilities imposed by federal laws with respect to the acquisition, receipt, transfer, shipment, transportation or possession of firearms.

**E. Illegal/Unlawful Aliens and Aliens Admitted on a Non-Immigrant Visa**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(5), any person “who, being an alien, (A) is illegally or unlawfully in the United States; or (B) except as provided in subsection (y)(2), has been admitted to the United States under a nonimmigrant visa (as that term is defined in section 101(a)(26) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(26))” is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws.

Please note the following four important things about this prohibitor:

- *First*, permanent resident aliens are not prohibited under this section.
- *Second*, aliens who are unlawfully in the United States are not in valid immigrant, nonimmigrant or parole status. The term includes any alien:
  - Who unlawfully entered the United States without inspection and authorization by an immigration officer and who has not been paroled into the United States under § 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA);
  - Who is a nonimmigrant and whose authorized period of stay has expired or who has violated the terms of the nonimmigrant category in which he or she was admitted;

- Paroled under INA § 212 (d)(5) whose authorized period of parole has expired, or whose parole status has been terminated; or
- Under an order of deportation, exclusion or removal, or under an order to depart the United States voluntarily, whether or not he or she has left the United States.
- *Third*, an alien lawfully present in this country without a visa (*e.g.*, from a visa-waiver country) is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under this section.
- *Fourth*, 18 U.S.C. § 922(y)(2) sets out the following exceptions to the general prohibition on firearms possession for aliens who have been admitted to the United States under a nonimmigrant visa:
  - An alien who has been admitted to the United States for lawful hunting or sporting purposes.
  - An alien who is in possession of a hunting license or permit lawfully issued in the United States.
  - An official representative of a foreign government who is:
    - (1) Accredited to the United States Government or the Government's mission to an international organization having its headquarters in the United States; or
    - (2) En route to or from another country to which that alien is accredited.
  - An official of a foreign government or a distinguished foreign visitor who has been so designated by the Department of State.
  - A foreign law enforcement officer of a friendly foreign government entering the United States on official law enforcement business.
  - An alien who has received a waiver from the Attorney General.

**F. Persons Dishonorably Discharged from the Military**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(6), any person “who has been discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions” is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws. ATF has clarified through regulations that this prohibitor covers:

A person whose separation from the U.S. Armed Forces was characterized as:

- (1) A dishonorable discharge; or

(2) A dismissal adjudged by a general court-martial.

Please note the following two important things about this prohibitor:

- *First*, this prohibitor does not cover any separation from the Armed Forces resulting from any other discharge, such as a bad conduct discharge.
- *Second*, this prohibitor does not cover dishonorable discharges or dismissals that have been upgraded under the authority of a discharge review board or a board for the correction of military records.

#### **G. Citizen Renunciates**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(7), any person “who, having been a citizen of the United States, has renounced his citizenship” is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws. ATF has clarified through regulations that this prohibitor covers a person who, having been a U.S. citizen, has renounced U.S. citizenship either:

- (1) Before a diplomatic or consular officer of the United States in a foreign state pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1481(a)(5); or
- (2) Before an officer designated by the Attorney General when the United States is in a state of war pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1481(a)(6).

Note that this prohibitor does not cover any renunciation of citizenship that has been reversed as a result of administrative or judicial appeal.

#### **H. Persons Subject to a Domestic Violence Restraining Order**

18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(8) prohibits the shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws by any person who is subject to a court order that—

- Was issued after a hearing of which such person received actual notice, and at which such person had an opportunity to participate;
- Restrains such person from harassing, stalking or threatening an intimate partner of such person or child of such intimate partner or person, or engaging in other conduct that would place an intimate partner in reasonable fear of bodily injury to the partner or child; *and*
- Includes a finding that such person represents a credible threat to the physical safety of such intimate partner or child, *or* by its terms expressly prohibits the use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force against such intimate partner or child that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury.

ATF has clarified through regulation that the term “intimate partner” means (1) the spouse of the person, (2) a former spouse of the person, (3) an individual who is a parent of a child of the person, or (4) an individual who cohabits or has cohabited with the person.

#### **I. Persons Convicted of a Misdemeanor Crime of Domestic Violence**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(9), any person “who has been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence” is prohibited from shipping, transporting, possessing or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws. This prohibitor covers any person who has been convicted of a federal, state, local or tribal offense that meets all of the following criteria:

- (1) The offense is a misdemeanor under federal, state, local or tribal law, *or*, in states that do not classify offenses as misdemeanors, is an offense that is punishable by imprisonment for a term of one year or less, and includes offenses that are punishable only by a fine (this is true whether or not the state statute specifically defines the offense as a “misdemeanor” or as a “misdemeanor crime of domestic violence”);
- (2) The offense has, as an element, the use or attempted use of physical force (*e.g.*, assault and battery), or the threatened use of a deadly weapon; and
- (3) The offense was committed by a current or former spouse, parent or guardian of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse, parent or guardian (*e.g.*, the equivalent of a “common law” marriage even if such relationship is not recognized under the law), or by a person similarly situated to a spouse, parent or guardian of the victim (*e.g.*, two persons who are residing at the same location in an intimate relationship with the intent to make that place their home would be similarly situated to a spouse).

Note that a person is not considered to have been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence if the conviction has been expunged or set aside, or is an offense for which the person has been pardoned or has had civil rights restored (if the law of the jurisdiction in which the proceedings were held provides for the loss of civil rights upon conviction for such an offense), unless the pardon, expungement or restoration of civil rights expressly provides that the person may not ship, transport, possess or receive firearms and the person is not otherwise prohibited by the law of the jurisdiction in which the proceedings were held from receiving or possessing any firearms.

#### **J. Persons Under Indictment**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 922(n), any person “who is under indictment for a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year” is prohibited from shipping, transporting or receiving firearms under federal firearms laws. ATF has clarified through regulations that this prohibitor covers:

- (1) A person under indictment or information in any court under which a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year may be prosecuted; or

- (2) A military service member charged with any offense punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year which has been referred to a general court-martial.

Note that the filing of a criminal complaint pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 3 is not sufficient for purposes of this prohibitor, but in some cases will be sufficient to demonstrate a prohibition under § 922(g)(2).

## ATTACHMENT C

### PROCEDURES FOR SUBMITTING RELEVANT RECORDS TO THE NICS

The following sections provide additional information regarding the databases available for records submission, the format for such submission, and directions relevant to updating, correcting, modifying, or removing records as necessary.

***Database to Which Records Should Be Submitted.*** In conducting a background check, the NICS compares the personal identifying information of a potential transferee (i.e., someone attempting to purchase a firearm) with information contained in three databases:

- The National Crime Information Center (NCIC), which includes files of protection orders and sub-files on persons for whom arrest warrants have been issued by federal, state and local jurisdictions across the country.
- The Interstate Identification Index (III), which provides access to the criminal history record information of over 70 million people
- The NICS Indices, which contains information that may not be in the NCIC or III but is still otherwise relevant to determining whether someone is prohibited by law from possessing or purchasing a firearm.

If records are relevant to the NCIC or III, you should submit them to those databases, rather than the NICS Indices, for two reasons. *First*, records submitted to the NCIC and III are available to federal, state, and local authorities for a wide variety of law enforcement purposes, whereas the NICS Indices is generally used only during the course of a NICS background check. *Second*, because a “hit” in the NICS Indices triggers an automatic denial of the firearm transfer, contributors must “pre-validate” information before submitting to the NICS Indices. In other words, they must confirm that a record is *independently adequate* to show that an individual is prohibited from possessing firearms by carefully examining the contours of a particular prohibitor against the information in the record.

Submission to the NCIC or III is available for the following prohibitors:

- Section 922(g)(1): *Felons*. Convictions should be submitted to the III.
- Section 922(g)(2): *Fugitives From Justice*. Warrants should be submitted to the NCIC.
- Section 922(g)(3): *Persons Unlawfully Using or Addicted to any Controlled Substance*. Convictions and arrests for drug use should be submitted to the III.
- Section 922(g)(4): *Persons Adjudicated “Mentally Defective” or Committed to a Mental Institution*. Court orders or arrest records that stem from a criminal action and relate to this prohibitor should be submitted to the III. All other relevant records should be submitted to the NICS Indices.



- Section 922(g)(8): *Persons Subject to a Domestic Violence Restraining Order*. All such protective orders should be submitted to the NCIC.
- Section 922(g)(9): *Persons Convicted of a Misdemeanor Crime of Domestic Violence*. All such convictions should be submitted to the III.
- Section 922(n): *Persons under Indictment*. Informations and indictments should be submitted to the III if they are accompanied by fingerprints or have a corresponding arrest record already filed in the III. Otherwise, they should be submitted to the NICS Indices.

If, for any reason, the NCIC or III will not accept relevant records, please submit those records to the NICS Indices.

Note: To streamline the process and assist partner agencies, the Department is undertaking the administrative burden of making federal convictions, felony warrants, indictments and informations accessible to the NICS in the first instance. If your agency creates such documents without the involvement of a United States Attorney's Office, a Department litigating division (e.g., Criminal, Civil, Tax, Environment, Antitrust and Civil Rights), or a Department law enforcement component (e.g., ATF, DEA, FBI and USMS), the Department is likely unaware of such records and cannot make them accessible to the NICS. We therefore ask that you make these records available to the NICS.

***Electronic Format.*** Regardless of whether records are submitted to the NCIC, III, or NICS Indices, you should make the relevant information available in an electronic format. Technical specifications for electronic submissions vary by database. Agencies should contact the NICS Section at 844-265-6716, or via e-mail at [nicsliaison@fbi.gov](mailto:nicsliaison@fbi.gov) to obtain additional guidance.

***Continuing Obligations.*** The NICS Improvement Amendments Act of 2007 requires agencies to update, correct, modify, or remove records that they submit to the NICS upon learning that the basis under which the agency submitted the record “does not apply, or no longer applies.” An agency that submits records indicating that an individual has been adjudicated to be “mentally defective,” for example, must remove the records from databases that are accessible to the NICS if the individual’s right to receive firearms is subsequently restored as a matter of law. To obtain technical specifications and additional information about how to update, correct, modify, and/or remove records from the NICS Indices, agencies should contact the FBI’s NICS Section at 844-265-6716, or via e-mail at [nicsliaison@fbi.gov](mailto:nicsliaison@fbi.gov).

## **ATTACHMENT D**

### **34 U.S.C. § 40901**

(a) Determination of timetables. Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act [enacted Nov. 30, 1993], the Attorney General shall--

(1) determine the type of computer hardware and software that will be used to operate the national instant criminal background check system and the means by which State criminal records systems and the telephone or electronic device of licensees will communicate with the national system;

(2) investigate the criminal records system of each State and determine for each State a timetable by which the State should be able to provide criminal records on an on-line capacity basis to the national system; and

(3) notify each State of the determinations made pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2).

(b) Establishment of system. Not later than 60 months after the date of the enactment of this Act [enacted Nov. 30, 1993], the Attorney General shall establish a national instant criminal background check system that any licensee may contact, by telephone or by other electronic means in addition to the telephone, for information, to be supplied immediately, on whether receipt of a firearm by a prospective transferee would violate *section 922 of title 18, United States Code*, or State law.

(c) Expedited action by the Attorney General. The Attorney General shall expedite--

(1) the upgrading and indexing of State criminal history records in the Federal criminal records system maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation;

(2) the development of hardware and software systems to link State criminal history check systems into the national instant criminal background check system established by the Attorney General pursuant to this section; and

(3) the current revitalization initiatives by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for technologically advanced fingerprint and criminal records identification.

(d) Notification of licensees. On establishment of the system under this section, the Attorney General shall notify each licensee and the chief law enforcement officer of each State of the existence and purpose of the system and the means to be used to contact the system.

(e) Administrative provisions.

(1) Authority to obtain official information.

(A) In general. Notwithstanding any other law, the Attorney General may secure directly from any department or agency of the United States such information on persons for whom receipt of a firearm would violate subsection (g) or (n) of *section 922 of title 18, United States Code*, or State law, as is necessary to enable the system to operate in accordance with this section.

(B) Request of Attorney General. On request of the Attorney General, the head of such department or agency shall furnish electronic versions of the information described under subparagraph (A) to the system.

(C) Quarterly submission to Attorney General. If a Federal department or agency under subparagraph (A) has any record of any person demonstrating that the person falls within one of the categories described in subsection (g) or (n) of *section 922 of title 18, United States Code*, the head of such department or agency shall, not less frequently than quarterly, provide the pertinent information contained in such record to the Attorney General.

(D) Information updates. The Federal department or agency, on being made aware that the basis under which a record was made available under subparagraph (A) does not apply, or no longer applies, shall--

(i) update, correct, modify, or remove the record from any database that the agency maintains and makes available to the Attorney General, in accordance with the rules pertaining to that database; and

(ii) notify the Attorney General that such basis no longer applies so that the National Instant Criminal Background Check System is kept up to date.

The Attorney General upon receiving notice pursuant to clause (ii) shall ensure that the record in the National Instant Criminal Background Check System is updated, corrected, modified, or removed within 30 days of receipt.

(E) Annual report. The Attorney General shall submit an annual report to Congress that describes the compliance of each department or agency with the provisions of this paragraph.

(F) Semiannual certification and reporting.

(i) In general. The head of each Federal department or agency shall submit a semiannual written certification to the Attorney General indicating whether the department or agency is in compliance with the record submission requirements under subparagraph (C).

(ii) Submission dates. The head of a Federal department or agency shall submit a certification to the Attorney General under clause (i)--

(I) not later than July 31 of each year, which shall address all relevant records, including those that have not been transmitted to the Attorney General, in possession of the department or agency during the period beginning on January 1 of the year and ending on June 30 of the year; and

(II) not later than January 31 of each year, which shall address all relevant records, including those that have not been transmitted to the Attorney General, in possession of the department or agency during the period beginning on July 1 of the previous year and ending on December 31 of the previous year.

(iii) Contents. A certification required under clause (i) shall state, for the applicable period--

(I) the total number of records of the Federal department or agency demonstrating that a person falls within one of the categories described in subsection (g) or (n) of *section 922 of title 18, United States Code*;

(II) for each category of records described in subclause (I), the total number of records of the Federal department or agency that have been provided to the Attorney General; and

(III) the efforts of the Federal department or agency to ensure complete and accurate reporting of relevant records, including efforts to monitor compliance and correct any reporting failures or inaccuracies.

(G) Implementation plan.

(i) In general. Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this subparagraph [enacted March 23, 2018], the head of each Federal department or agency, in coordination with the Attorney General, shall establish a plan to ensure maximum coordination and automated reporting or making available of records to the Attorney General as required under subparagraph (C), and the verification of the accuracy of those records, including the pre-validation of those records, where appropriate, during a 4-year period specified in the plan. The records shall be limited to those of an individual described in subsection (g) or (n) of *section 922 of title 18, United States Code*.

(ii) Benchmark requirements. Each plan established under clause (i) shall include annual benchmarks to enable the Attorney General to assess implementation of the plan, including--

(I) qualitative goals and quantitative measures;

(II) measures to monitor internal compliance, including any reporting failures and inaccuracies;

(III) a needs assessment, including estimated compliance costs; and

(IV) an estimated date by which the Federal department or agency will fully comply with record submission requirements under subparagraph (C).

(iii) Compliance determination. Not later than the end of each fiscal year beginning after the date of the establishment of a plan under clause (i), the Attorney General shall determine whether the applicable Federal department or agency has achieved substantial compliance with the benchmarks included in the plan.

(H) Accountability. The Attorney General shall publish, including on the website of the Department of Justice, and submit to the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on the Judiciary and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives a semiannual report that discloses--

(i) the name of each Federal department or agency that has failed to submit a required certification under subparagraph (F);

(ii) the name of each Federal department or agency that has submitted a required certification under subparagraph (F), but failed to certify compliance with the record submission requirements under subparagraph (C);

- (iii) the name of each Federal department or agency that has failed to submit an implementation plan under subparagraph (G);
- (iv) the name of each Federal department or agency that is not in substantial compliance with an implementation plan under subparagraph (G);
- (v) a detailed summary of the data, broken down by department or agency, contained in the certifications submitted under subparagraph (F);
- (vi) a detailed summary of the contents and status, broken down by department or agency, of the implementation plans established under subparagraph (G); and
- (vii) the reasons for which the Attorney General has determined that a Federal department or agency is not in substantial compliance with an implementation plan established under subparagraph (G).

(I) Noncompliance penalties. For each of fiscal years 2019 through 2022, each political appointee of a Federal department or agency that has failed to certify compliance with the record submission requirements under subparagraph (C), and is not in substantial compliance with an implementation plan established under subparagraph (G), shall not be eligible for the receipt of bonus pay, excluding overtime pay, until the department or agency--

- (i) certifies compliance with the record submission requirements under subparagraph (C); or
- (ii) achieves substantial compliance with an implementation plan established under subparagraph (G).

(J) Technical assistance. The Attorney General may use funds made available for the national instant criminal background check system established under subsection (b) to provide technical assistance to a Federal department or agency, at the request of the department or agency, in order to help the department or agency comply with the record submission requirements under subparagraph (C).

(K) Application to federal courts. For purposes of this paragraph--

- (i) the terms "department or agency of the United States" and "Federal department or agency" include a Federal court; and
- (ii) the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts shall perform, for a Federal court, the functions assigned to the head of a department or agency.

(2) Other authority. The Attorney General shall develop such computer software, design and obtain such telecommunications and computer hardware, and employ such personnel, as are necessary to establish and operate the system in accordance with this section.

(f) Written reasons provided on request. If the national instant criminal background check system determines that an individual is ineligible to receive a firearm and the individual requests the system to provide the reasons for the determination, the system shall provide such reasons to the individual, in writing, within 5 business days after the date of the request.

(g) Correction of erroneous system information. If the system established under this section informs an individual contacting the system that receipt of a firearm by a prospective transferee would violate subsection (g) or (n) of *section 922 of title 18, United States Code*, or State law, the prospective transferee may request the Attorney General to provide the prospective transferee with the reasons therefor. Upon receipt of such a request, the Attorney General shall immediately comply with the request. The prospective transferee may submit to the Attorney General information to correct, clarify, or supplement records of the system with respect to the prospective transferee. After receipt of such information, the Attorney General shall immediately consider the information, investigate the matter further, and correct all erroneous Federal records relating to the prospective transferee and give notice of the error to any Federal department or agency or any State that was the source of such erroneous records. For purposes of the preceding sentence, not later than 60 days after the date on which the Attorney General receives such information, the Attorney General shall determine whether or not the prospective transferee is the subject of an erroneous record and remove any records that are determined to be erroneous. In addition to any funds made available under subsection (k), the Attorney General may use such sums as are necessary and otherwise available for the salaries and expenses of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to comply with this subsection.

(h) Regulations. After 90 days' notice to the public and an opportunity for hearing by interested parties, the Attorney General shall prescribe regulations to ensure the privacy and security of the information of the system established under this section.

(i) Prohibition relating to establishment of registration systems with respect to firearms. No department, agency, officer, or employee of the United States may--

(1) require that any record or portion thereof generated by the system established under this section be recorded at or transferred to a facility owned, managed, or controlled by the United States or any State or political subdivision thereof; or

(2) use the system established under this section to establish any system for the registration of firearms, firearm owners, or firearm transactions or dispositions, except with respect to persons, prohibited by section 922(g) or (n) of title 18, United States Code, or State law, from receiving a firearm.

(j) Definitions. As used in this section:

(1) Licensee. The term "licensee" means a licensed importer (as defined in *section 921(a)(9) of title 18, United States Code*), a licensed manufacturer (as defined in section 921(a)(10) of that title), or a licensed dealer (as defined in section 921(a)(11) of that title).

(2) Other terms. The terms "firearm", "handgun", "licensed importer", "licensed manufacturer", and "licensed dealer" have the meanings stated in *section 921(a) of title 18, United States Code*, as amended by subsection (a)(2).

(k) Authorization of appropriations. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to enable the Attorney General to carry out this section.

**Ha, Richard**

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**From:** VAExecSec  
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**THE WHITE HOUSE  
OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT  
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Please see attached letter addressed to the President.

**To: Department of Veterans Affairs**

Action Requested: **Draft Response**

Referral Comment: **Please draft a response and send to the WH for review via Document Tracking mailbox**

Please send a copy of response or draft response for signature (if one is requested) to the Document Management and Tracking Unit mailbox, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) [WHO.EOP.GOV](mailto:WHO.EOP.GOV). include any additional comments and/or actions taken by your agency. If more information is needed call (202) 456-(b) (6), (b) (7)

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President Donald Trump,

My name is (b) (6) Mayor of Clarendon borough Pennsylvania.

I am also the President of the Board of Directors for the Clarendon VFW. Our small town is trying to receive ownership of the Alleghany Valley Elementary School in our town from the Warren County School District. We are hoping to move our Borough Offices / Voting Stations, retain our playground and to establish a 20 unit Homeless Veterans Shelter in this building. We are well on our way to securing this facility but any letters to help would greatly be appreciated. I have enclose Representative Rapp's letter and a very basic business plan. The next School Board Meeting is March 12th so speed is of the essence.

Thank You

(b) (6)

Mayor Clarendon borough

President Clarendon VFW

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**KATHY L. RAPP, MEMBER**  
65TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

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HARDWOODS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Harrisburg

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TIMBER  
SECOND AMENDMENT

February 26, 2018

Warren County School District  
Board of Directors  
6820 Market Street  
Russell, PA 16345

RE: Allegheny Valley Elementary School

Dear Directors:

This letter is in support of Clarendon Borough's request to acquire the Allegheny Valley Elementary School in Clarendon, PA. As you are aware, the Borough has a plan that would truly benefit the community and our honorably discharged or medically discharged Veterans.

The borough has a five year plan that outlines the steps to utilize the building, that I believe you have received. They will apply for a 501c3 status, establish by-laws, establish a Board of Directors, and work with all area Veterans groups, locally, and on the State and Federal level for the rehabilitation of the center for future housing units for Veterans. The plan would allow residence for twenty veterans in need.

The plan also allows for the existing gymnasium and cafeteria to be utilized for Veterans and the community. Remaining space in the building would be used to serve the community for office space or future identified needs. It would also allow space for a Veteran's Representative Office and an office for the Disabled American Veterans, if requested. The location would provide parking space for DAV vans that transport our Veterans to appointments and to Veterans Hospitals in Butler and Erie. Currently, the representative from the American Legion and the representative from the Veterans of Foreign Wars hold office hours in my Warren office, which I gladly make available. The Allegheny Valley building would allow all Veterans organizations to have a centralized location to meet and provide services to Veterans.


The Borough's plan also includes maintaining the playground for the community children. Members of the Council also recognize the need to totally separate the current and future Head Start program from the rest of the building. They plan to section off the building and construct an ADA accessible back entrance separate from the entrance that the children utilize.

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Titusville Office:

P.O. Box 202065 - Harrisburg, PA 17120-2065 - Phone: (717) 787-1367 - Fax: (717) 787-5854  
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E-mail: [klrapp@pahousegop.com](mailto:klrapp@pahousegop.com) Website: [RepRapp.com](http://RepRapp.com)

We owe a great debt to our Veterans, those brave men and women who were willing to sacrifice all for our freedoms and way of life in our great country, state and community. Please give the Borough your strongest consideration for their request to serve those who have served us by allowing them to acquire the Allegheny Valley Elementary School.

Sincerely,



State Representative Kathy L. Rapp

Cc: (b) (6) Commander, Clarendon VFW  
(b) (6) Mayor, Clarendon Borough  
(b) (6) President, Clarendon Borough Council

## **BUSINESS PLAN FOR ALLEGHENY VALLEY VETERANS CENTER**

Upon securing of former Allegheny Valley Elementary School in Clarendon PA.

### **Day 1 to first 12 months**

- \* Apply for 501c3 status
- \* Proceed into written property agreement with local municipality
- \* Have drawn up by- laws for corporation
- \* Establish Board of Directors for corporation
- \* Pursue through various agencies , grants and loans for rehabilitation of center
  - \* State
  - \* Federal
  - \* Veterans Affairs
  - \* VFW
  - \* AM VETS
  - \* American Legion
  - \* D.A.V.
  - \* County / Local Government
- \* Establish any future leases for A.V.V.C.
- \* Any entity must be for the betterment of Veterans or the residence of Clarendon borough and surrounding area
- \* All proceeds produced shall be secured by Board of Directors and distributed according to their direction.
- \* Secure any permits or license necessary for entities to operate at facility

### **1-2 YEAR GOALS**

- \* Secure funding for transforming classroom areas of facility into housing units for future residence. RESIDENCE MUST BE PRIOR HONORABLY DISCHARGED OR MEDICALLY DISCHARGED VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Residents must be self sufficient and in need of housing per regulations of the Board of Directors.
- \* Upon securing funds construction to start on units as funds warrant.
- \* Establishing business in remainder of facility shall be on going and welcomed.

### **2 -5 YEARS AFTER ESTABLISHING FACILITY**

- \* Completing residence for approx. 20 Veterans in need
- \* Establish of Veterans based Restaurant / Club facility in portion of existing gymnasium /cafeteria area.
- \* Established rental space in previous office areas.
- \* Possible Area's for community
  - \* Library
  - \* Borough Office
  - \* V.A. Rep Office
  - \* D.A.V. Office
  - \* Short term lease

The Board of Directors should have representation from local Veterans Organization, Local Religious Entities, Local Government



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**Cc:** (b) (6)@sba.gov; (b) (6)@sba.gov; (b) (6)@sba.gov  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Correspondence

Good Morning, Ms. Bock

The Exec Sec at the U.S. SBA received a letter via mail requesting the alteration of the terms of Veteran's education benefits. The letter was forwarded via mail today to the VA. Please, let us know if the VA will respond to this letter and please share that response with the SBA Exec Sec.

Also, I've attached a scanned copy of the letter to this email message for your convenience.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact me using the information found below.

Best Regards,

(b) (6)  
Contractor  
Office of the Executive Secretariat  
Office of Executive Management, Installations, and Support Services (OEMISS)  
(202) 205- (b) (6)



July 20, 2018

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Richmond Hill, GA 31324

Email: (b) (6)@loomisdefense.com

Phone: (912) 572-(b) (6)

SUBJECT: Pledge to revitalize the US flight training economy

Administrator McMahon,

Loomis Defense, LLC pledges to create 57,556 private pilots, 8,634 commercial rated pilots, and to create 13,952 jobs supporting US pilot growth.

Section 6 of the President's executive order charges the council with developing recommendations for the President on policy and strategy related to the American workforce.

I am requesting an invitation to attend the council's first meeting with the intent of providing amplified marks concerning the following recommendations:

Recommendation 1: President Trump should use the bully pulpit to advocate that Congress amend Title 38 Section 3034(d)(2) replacing the word "private" with "student".

Outcome: It will remove a significant obstacle preventing every veteran from using their earned veteran education benefits to pay for initial flight training.

Recommendation 2: The Department of Veterans Affairs should amend CFR 21.4235(c)(2) striking out the requirement for the simultaneous enrollment in an instrument and commercial pilot certification course.

Outcome: Removal of the requirement will allow veterans to use their education benefits to pay for an instrument and commercial course as separate courses thus taking full advantage of their education benefits limiting out of pocket expenses.

It is my sincere belief that successfully implementing these two recommendations will revitalize the US flight training economy, rebuild the US aviator population desperately need to solve the US pilot shortage, and it will invigorate the aerospace industry.

It's no coincidence the majority of pledge signatories service the aviation sector.

Aviation creates jobs. Loomis Defense creates aviators.

Very respectfully,

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**Ha, Richard**

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The U.S. Department of Labor, Office of the Executive Secretariat is referring the attached correspondence to your office for appropriate handling. This correspondence was either misdirected or the subject matter falls within your jurisdiction.

(b) (6), Supervisor of Operations  
DOL Executive Secretariat

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Hello. Because of a shoddy and rotten evaluation opinion that hurt me by a very bad doctor (b) (6)

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Something  
needs to be done to assist me. Thank you. (b) (6) File: (b) (6)

**Ha, Richard**

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**THE WHITE HOUSE  
OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT  
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Please see attached letter addressed to the President.

**To: Department of Veteran Affairs**

Action Requested: **Appropriate Action**

Please send a copy of response or draft response for signature (if one is requested) to the Document Management and Tracking Unit mailbox, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) [WHO.EOP.GOV](mailto:WHO.EOP.GOV). include any additional comments and/or actions taken by your agency. If more information is needed call (202) 456-(b) (6), (b) (7)



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MEMORANDUM

TO: President Donald J. Trump

VIA: Mayor (b) (6) Corsicana, Texas

FROM: (b) (6) USN / Ret  
Member of the Board, State Funeral for World War II Veterans  
[www.worldwar2salute.org](http://www.worldwar2salute.org)

DATE: 24 July 2018

SUBJECT: State Funeral for the Last Medal of Honor Recipient from World War II

Mr. President, your resolve in honoring our veterans and military would be historically demonstrated by using your sole authority to designate a State Funeral in Washington, DC for the last Medal of Honor recipient from World War II. This State Funeral would also provide special recognition for all 16 million citizens who wore the uniform of our armed forces in the Second World War. This event would honor the millions of living American families who put these men and women on the alter of freedom.

This State Funeral would further improve the public's perception of military service, educate younger generations about the sacrifices of Americans in World War II and boost military morale, while providing a final salute to the Greatest Generation. It would provide a historic opportunity to demonstrate your populist tone. During WW II, 472 men received the Medal of Honor (MOH) for service during that war. Today, only 4 are still with us. Our nation has held many State Funerals for generals, but never one for an enlisted man. All four of the remaining MOH recipients were enlisted men.

Our national non-profit organization, State Funeral for World War II Veterans, is founded by Texas schoolgirl, (b) (6) and her father (b) (6). She is the goddaughter of the late World War II MON recipient, (b) (6). I am honored to serve on the Board of Directors of this non-profit organization.

The authority for this momentous State Funeral rests solely with you. President Harding designated a State Funeral for the Unknown Soldier from World War I in 1928. President Truman designated a State Funeral for General John J. Pershing in 1946. President Kennedy authorized a State Funeral for General MacArthur prior to his death and President Lyndon B. Johnson confirmed the Kennedy directive.

The designation is urgent. The four living WW II MOH recipients' ages are 92, 94, 96 and 97. One of these men was the first MOH recipient to endorse you for President, (b) (6) of West Virginia. His two grandsons serve as state chairmen for Ohio and Kentucky, State Funerals For World War II Veterans.

This solemn, patriotic and unique occasion will unify the American people in a non-partisan way, while also enhancing your legacy as an example of "promises, promises kept."

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FORWARDED, recommending your approval.

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Mayor

Corsicana, TX

24 July 2018



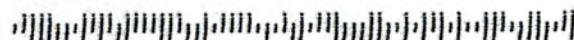
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Dr. Ben Carson

I do alot of driving and have  
plenty of time for thought.  
I've sent you some ramblings  
I know these are not under  
your current appointment  
however I respect your opinion  
and trust your integrity.  
Maybe these thoughts are not  
worth the time I took to pen  
them that's O.K. Maybe there  
is at least one nugget worth  
mining.

Thanks for the time

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P.S. Our Leadership has never  
been better. We all need  
to be part of the solution to  
the challenges of the day.

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## Health Care

Affordable Basic Health Care  
Should not be Free It Should  
be reasonable in price

Basic would be Clinics set up  
for Ears, Nose, Throat, Fevers  
Scrapes Cuts and Sprains  
Antibiotics would be \$5.00 copay  
They would Alternate opening  
and closing times on 12 Hr  
clock or 1 in 5 would be  
24 Hrs. Never will They give pain  
meds

No matter what your party  
This is something you can vote  
for. Its a start to controlling  
the cost and providing a service

My Thought is awarding  
first contract for 10 yrs  
to Walmart They have the  
buildings, Parking, etc.

IN doing this we will  
cross party lines and gain  
support. Walgreens are ~~every~~  
every where. They will take  
this as a Challenge and deliver  
above Expectation.

This will create a boom in  
Health Care This field will  
need tons of people Special  
Student Loans and internship  
will need to be set up  
So much \$ an hour over  
there salary should go to  
paying their student loans  
The more of these we open  
the faster the Cost's will come  
down

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Lets call it 1 AMERI-Care  
2 U.S. Care (USC)

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# Immigration

Border Security Is a must

How's about  
The Wall Lottery  
weekly drawing 50/50 Split

Show progress of funding ~~IN~~  
Miles weekly

If you don't want the wall don't  
buy a ticket (this will work)

We all want Legal Immigration  
but if you give them all the  
rights of a citizen you take  
away all the incentive  
Nobody pays for something they  
can get for free

Medical and services should  
be provided along the lines  
of our Student Loan program  
You must start repaying after  
4 yrs. The money drawn out



I (2)

These services are only given to Legal immigrants and if asked most would gladly enroll in the program

By the 5th year money should be coming in to the program by the 10th year the immigration ~~budget~~ budget should be based on the money in the fund I Feel these funds will have a higher Return than our Student Loans

(b) (6)

## Our Schools

The Shootings are at Epidemic proportion very sad

When a shooting like this occurs it should fall under Federal Jurisdiction.

This is a Heinous act and needs to be Judicated Swiftly I mean within 2 wks. on multiple Counts of Victims The only punishment Should be a Death Sentence which also needs to happen quickly

Currently the Process is taking

Do a proper investigation, trial ~~a~~ but do it Quickly.

How can there be an appeal on someone who shoots with intent over children. At some point why he did it doesn't matter

O.S. (2)

With Internet Phones and  
Media these Villians are  
Immortalized by other  
children

I don't believe any of these  
Shooters took their own lives  
since President Trump took  
office. IN my mind they  
are looking for Notoriety  
not death. Special Prosecutors  
and Investigators need to  
handle this epidemic.

New guidelines need to be set  
New standards of Punishment  
need to be brought to bear

We do this for the rights of  
all our Children to a happy  
full life

IN the Case of this type of crime  
currently it seems the Perpetrator  
has more victims than the Victims

# Environment

(1)

I know There are  
Some Hollywood Celebs that  
are proud of our Country  
and would make a Stand  
on environmental issues  
We need them to come out  
of the Closet and give  
support to those issues  
this is something the whole  
Country could get behind  
If worked properly we  
could even get some of  
administration's critics

an example of an issue  
could be plastic retail bags  
They are slowly going now  
but a program like this could  
~~be implemented~~ speed it up

Slogan  
"Politics aside"

This is the right thing<sup>to do</sup>  
we can all agree

# Veterans

Our Veterans deserve the best care we can give  
The public only hear  
the problems with the V.A.  
I know there are some  
bright spots as well, never  
enough but some

I propose again a new  
Public Campaign to highlight  
the needs and ~~accomplishments~~  
accomplishments

The USO has some  
great entertainers who  
support our troops and  
perform in a unique way on  
a regular ~~basis~~ basis  
We need one of these folks  
to oversee this program and  
speak to us on a regular  
basis in commercials or  
Radio spots

Veterans

(2)

I Think we need  
a person who is considered  
to be a bit of a Rebel.  
With that being said I  
would love to see

(b) (6)

She still owns bit of a  
Rebel and respected talent  
She could find some good  
and help us improve on  
the back

Slogans and Symbols work  
we the people need to see  
more positive politics  
and I don't believe the  
Democrats are capable  
of this in there party  
they are to filled with  
hate and rage due to  
frustrations and that's a  
Shame we need two parties

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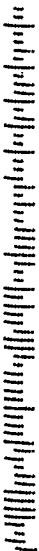
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Please see attached MI letter addressed to the President.

**To: Department of Veteran Affairs**

Action Requested: **Appropriate Action**

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Alaska State Legislature  
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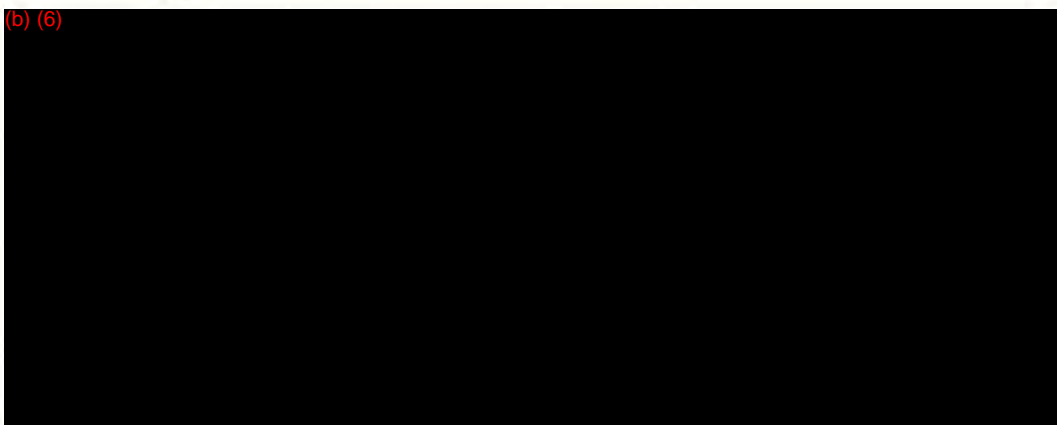
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Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov

September 21, 2017

Dear President Trump,

(b) (6)



This is what my brother recently wrote me. What would you do if your loved one told you this?

I am an Alaska State Legislator and have helped many of my constituents with issues involving the State and Federal Government; so how hard could this be to find help for my brother, after all, he is a veteran.

1. I first contacted one of his Senators asking for assistance and after several weeks of red tape was told that they could help. That was over two months ago and I or my brother has heard nothing.
2. I then learned about a medical facility that treats symptoms from the (b) (6) was told it was located on the East Coast. I contact my Senator, Senator Sullivan, and was told it was called the War Related Illness and Injury Study Center. The WRIISCs, is staffed by teams of multidisciplinary clinicians who could evaluate veterans with deployment-related health concerns, provide a clinical "second opinion" resource to veterans via a referral process based on geographic location. There are three centers and since he lives in Illinois he would be referred to the East Orange, NJ location.
3. I then contacted the VA Medical Center in Danville, Illinois to find out who his primary physician is and whether or not he/she would write a referral to the WRIISC. They would not give me the name because I did not currently have a Power of Attorney so I had my brother contact them. They gave him the name of his Physician Assistant not a Primary Physician. I learned that he has been going to the VA for over 6 years and has never seen a primary care physician. I could not believe it.

4. It seemed I hit a wall, so I thought why not write directly to the WRIISC. I received an immediate response that they would contact the Danville VA and find out who my brother's primary physician was. That was on September 13, 2017. They also are still awaiting a response.
5. My brother had an appointment on Tuesday and again requested his primary physician. The Physician Assistant said it was her but how can that be if she is not a doctor? She also said that she felt his condition was too complex for her.
6. You are my last hope of getting care for not just this Veteran but others like him. I will do whatever it takes to help him and others that so bravely served our country.

I do not know if you know much about what is now known as the (b) (6) so here is what my brother is experiencing:

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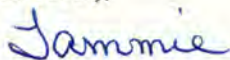


I have enclosed "How Are You Doing" a composition that my brother wrote so that you might better understand what he and other veterans are experiencing. Will you just file this letter in the trash or take action to do what is right for those that chose to serve our great country? I would appreciate any assistance you can give that will actually help in the treatment of those experiencing (b) (6)

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Sincerely,



Rep. Tammie Wilson

# How Are You Doing?

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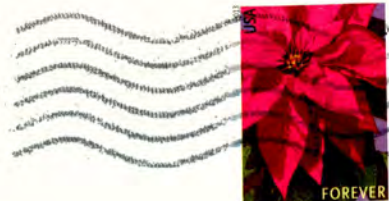




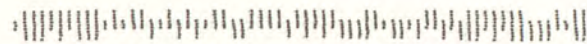
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Please see attached MI letter addressed to the President.

To: **Department of Veterans Affairs**  
Action Requested: **Appropriate Action**

To: **Department of Justice**  
Action Requested: **For Your Information/No Action Necessary**

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## Michigan Senate

October 23, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Trump:

On October 18, 2017, the Michigan Senate adopted **Senate Resolution No. 73**, memorializing the United States Congress to support atomic veterans, their spouses, and dependents in receiving medical care and disability compensation.

In compliance with the provisions contained therein, I am forwarding to you a copy of the above resolution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JFC", written over the printed name of Jeffrey F. Cobb.

Jeffrey F. Cobb  
Secretary of the Senate

JFC/cab

Enclosure



# STATE OF MICHIGAN



## MICHIGAN SENATE

### Senate Resolution No. 73

Offered by Senators Hopgood, Bieda, Gregory, Conyers, Warren,  
Young, Hertel, Schmidt, Johnson, Ananich, Jones and Jones

#### A RESOLUTION TO MEMORIALIZE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO DO ALL IT CAN TO SUPPORT ATOMIC VETERANS, THEIR SPOUSES, AND DEPENDENTS IN RECEIVING MEDICAL CARE AND DISABILITY COMPENSATION

WHEREAS, Throughout the nation's history, brave Michigan citizens have answered the call of duty and service, defending our freedom as members of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the Manhattan Project, the United States conducted the Trinity Atomic Test, the first detonation of a nuclear device, in New Mexico on July 16, 1945; and

WHEREAS, Over 200,000 American service members, including those from Michigan, participated in aboveground nuclear tests between 1945 and 1962, and veterans who participated in the cleanup of the Enewetak Atoll in the Marshall Islands between 1977 and 1980, and also those who were part of the United States military occupation forces in or around Hiroshima and Nagasaki before 1946, and some were held as a prisoner of war during this time; and

WHEREAS, These atomic veterans were exposed to radiation during their military service and, due to that exposure, developed several types of medical conditions that are not currently listed under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA); and

WHEREAS, Many atomic veterans were prevented by secrecy laws or oaths from seeking medical care or disability compensation from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for conditions they may have developed as a result of radiation exposure; and

WHEREAS, In 1996, the United States Congress repealed the Nuclear Radiation and Secrecy Agreements Act, freeing atomic veterans to describe their military involvement in nuclear testing in order to file for VA benefits; and

WHEREAS, Atomic veterans will now be eligible for free medical care from the VA and compensation in the form of full service-connected disability allowance, including payments to a surviving spouse or children; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Veteran's Affairs Agency will provide free assistance to Michigan veterans and their dependents in developing and submitting disability compensation claims to the VA and the Department of Justice for death benefits; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Atomic Veterans was formed in 1979 to help atomic veterans obtain medical care and assistance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body find it proper and fitting that atomic veterans be recognized for their service and sacrifice for our nation and that they should be provided the necessary medical services and compensation for their service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we memorialize the United States Congress to do all it can to support atomic veterans, their spouses, and dependents in receiving medical care and disability compensation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the National Associations of Atomic Veterans, the Michigan Veteran's Affairs Agency, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

Adopted by the Senate, October 18, 2017.



*Jeffrey Z. Cobb*

Secretary of the Senate



**Ha, Richard**

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Please see attached MI letter addressed to the President.

**To: Department of Veteran Affairs**  
**ATTN: Office of Public Health**

Action Requested: **Appropriate Action**

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**I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**Thirty-Fourth Guam Legislature**

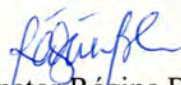
May 5, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

Transmitted herewith is **Resolution No. 40-34 (COR)**, “Relative to petitioning the United States Congress to expand the “Radiation-Exposed Veterans Compensation Act” to provide for the inclusion of veterans who participated in the cleanup of Enewetak Atoll as radiation-exposed veterans for purposes of the presumption of service-connection of certain disabilities by the U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and to further expressing the support of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the 34<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature) for the passage of H.R. 632 and S. 283, “*The Mark Takai Atomic Veterans Healthcare Parity Act*,” introduced in the United States Congress,” which was duly and regularly adopted by *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on April 27, 2017.

Sincerely,

  
Senator Régine Biscoe Lee  
Legislative Secretary  
[senatorbiscoelee@guamlegislature.org](mailto:senatorbiscoelee@guamlegislature.org)

Enclosures (1)



***I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
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**Resolution No. 40-34 (COR)**

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Relative to petitioning the United States Congress to expand the “Radiation-Exposed Veterans Compensation Act” to provide for the inclusion of veterans who participated in the cleanup of Enewetak Atoll as radiation-exposed veterans for purposes of the presumption of service-connection of certain disabilities by the U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and to further expressing the support of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the 34<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature) for the passage of H.R. 632 and S. 283, “*The Mark Takai Atomic Veterans Healthcare Parity Act*,” introduced in the United States Congress.

1        **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA***  
2        ***LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

3        **WHEREAS**, the United States government and the Atomic Energy  
4        Commission conducted nuclear tests in the South Pacific from 1946 to 1962; and



1       **WHEREAS**, the Atomic Energy Commission detonated sixty-seven (67)  
2 nuclear devices with a total yield of one hundred eight thousand four hundred ninety-  
3 two point two (108,492.2) kilotons in or around the Marshall Islands; and

4       **WHEREAS**, no less than ten (10) of those detonations yielded between five  
5 (5) to ten (10) megatons of radioactive material from the center of the explosion to  
6 the height of between twelve (12) to fifty-five (55) miles into the jet-stream; and

7       **WHEREAS**, on October 31, 1952 (GMT), Operation Ivy was conducted on  
8 Elugelab Island ("Flora") in the Enewetak Atoll, in which the first true  
9 thermonuclear hydrogen bomb (a 10.4 megaton device), code named "Mike," was  
10 detonated, destroying the entire island leaving behind a crater six thousand two  
11 hundred forty (6,240) feet across and one hundred sixty-four (164) feet deep in its  
12 aftermath; and

13       **WHEREAS**, in ninety (90) seconds the mushroom cloud climbed to fifty-  
14 seven thousand (57,000) feet into the atmosphere, and within thirty (30) minutes,  
15 had stretched sixty (60) miles in diameter with the base of the mushroom head  
16 joining the stem at forty-five thousand (45,000) feet; and

17       **WHEREAS**, it is estimated that thirty-five percent (35%) of those who  
18 handled nuclear waste at Enewetak Atoll now suffer from some form of cancer.  
19 Several veterans from Guam were part of the group of U.S. Armed Forces who  
20 participated in the cleanup of Enewetak Atoll during the period beginning on January  
21 1, 1977, and ending on December 31, 1980. Unaware of the danger from the  
22 radiation exposure and without protective gear, these military members moved  
23 debris, dirt, and other material from the nuclear testing sites into a hole, and built a  
24 dome to cap it; and

25       **WHEREAS**, under the "*1988 Radiation-Exposed Veterans Compensation*  
26 *Act*" it is presumed that a veteran's disease was caused by radiation if the veteran  
27 was present at a nuclear detonation, or some associated activity, and if the veteran



1 developed one (1) of the presumptive diseases, regardless of the veteran's dose.  
2 However, the cleanup of Enewetak Atoll from 1977 to 1980 was not considered  
3 "present at a nuclear detonation" for purposes of the "*Radiation-Exposed Veterans*  
4 *Compensation Act*"; and

5       **WHEREAS**, the presumptive law listed thirteen (13) cancers as radiogenic:  
6 leukemia (other than chronic lymphocytic leukemia); multiple myeloma; lymphoma,  
7 except Hodgkin's disease; primary liver cancer; thyroid cancer; breast cancer;  
8 pharynx cancer; esophagus cancer; stomach cancer; small intestine cancer; pancreas  
9 cancer; bile duct cancer; and gall bladder cancer. Cancers of the salivary gland and  
10 urinary tract were added in 1992, and bronchiolo-alveolar carcinoma was included  
11 in 1999. In 2002, cancer of the bone, brain, colon, lung, and ovary were added,  
12 bringing the total number of cancers considered radiogenic under the presumptive  
13 law to twenty-one (21); and

14       **WHEREAS**, the regulations authorize the U.S. Department of Veterans  
15 Affairs to provide medical care and pay compensation benefits to confirmed onsite  
16 participants and dependents of onsite participants in a test involving the atmospheric  
17 detonation of a nuclear device and indemnity compensation to certain survivors; and

18       **WHEREAS**, a veteran may be eligible for presumptive service connection  
19 (SC) under 38 CFR 3.309(d) (38 U.S.C. 1112) if they were present at the test site  
20 during the official operational period of an atmospheric nuclear test to perform  
21 official military duties in connection with ships, aircraft, or other equipment used in  
22 direct support of the nuclear test; or during the six (6) month period following the  
23 official operational period of an atmospheric nuclear test, present at the test site or  
24 other test staging area to perform official military duties in connection with  
25 completion of projects related to the nuclear test, including decontamination of  
26 equipment used during the nuclear test, or served as a member of the garrison or  
27 maintenance forces on Enewetak Atoll during the periods June 21, 1951 through



1 July 1, 1952, August 7, 1956 through August 7, 1957, or November 1, 1958 through  
2 April 30, 1959, or assigned to official military duties at U.S. Naval Shipyards  
3 involving the decontamination of ships that participated in Operation Crossroads;  
4 now therefore, be it

5 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the 34th  
6 Guam Legislature) does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, petition the United  
7 States Congress to expand the “*Radiation-Exposed Veterans Compensation Act*” to  
8 provide for the inclusion of veterans who participated in the cleanup of Enewetak  
9 Atoll as radiation-exposed veterans for purposes of the presumption of service-  
10 connection of certain disabilities by the U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and does  
11 further express the support of *I Mina'Trentai Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* (the  
12 34<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature) for the passage of H.R. 632 and S. 283, the “*Mark Takai*  
13 *Atomic Veterans Healthcare Parity Act*,” introduced in the United States Congress;  
14 and be it further

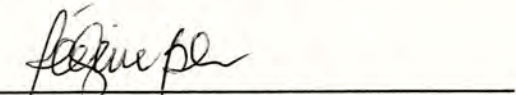
15 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,  
16 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the  
17 Honorable Donald Trump, President of the United States of America; to the  
18 Honorable Orrin Hatch, President Pro Tempore, U.S. Senate; to the Honorable Paul  
19 Ryan, Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives; to the Honorable David Roe,  
20 Chairman, Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, U.S. House of Representatives; to the  
21 Honorable Timothy Walz, Ranking Member, Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, U.S.  
22 House of Representatives; to the Honorable Mac Thornberry, Chairman, Armed  
23 Services Committee, U.S. House of Representatives; to the Honorable Johnny  
24 Isakson, Chairman, Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, U.S. Senate; to the Honorable



1 Jon Tester, Ranking Member, Committee on Veterans' Affairs, U.S. Senate; to the  
2 Honorable John McCain, Chairperson, Committee on Armed Services, U.S. Senate;  
3 to the Honorable Jack Reed, Ranking Member, Committee on Armed Services, U.S.  
4 Senate; to the Honorable Grace Meng, Member of Congress, U.S. House of  
5 Representatives; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate, U.S.  
6 House of Representatives; to the Honorable Al Franken, Chairperson, Committee on  
7 Health, Education, Labor and Pensions, U.S. Senate; to the Secretary of the  
8 Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior;  
9 to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Insular Affairs; to the Administrator of the  
10 Guam Office of Veterans Affairs; to the Guam Veterans Commission; to Mr. Fred  
11 Schafer, Managing Director, National Commander, National Association of Atomic  
12 Veterans; to Mr. Bob Kilthau, Hawaii State Commander, National Association of  
13 Atomic Veterans; to all the State and Area Commanders of the National Association  
14 of Atomic Veterans; to Mr. Robert N. Celestial, President, Pacific Association of  
15 Radiation Survivors; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, *I Maga'låhen*  
16 *Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI KUÅTTRO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2017.**

  
**BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ**  
Speaker

  
**RÉGINE BISCOE LEE**  
Legislative Secretary

## Ha, Richard

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**From:** VAExecSec  
**Sent:** Monday, August 20, 2018 7:13 AM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] RE: DHS Memo - 2018 Veterans Day Military Parade as a National Special Security Event

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DHS will need to pull back this memo for the Veterans Day parade. Please disregard. Apologies for the multiple emails on this.

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Please disregard this memo. DHS will recirculate an updated memo at a later time. Thank You.

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**Subject:** DHS Memo - 2018 Veterans Day Military Parade as a National Special Security Event

Good Morning All,

Attached please find a memo from the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Roles and Responsibilities concerning the 2018 Veterans Day Military Parade as a National Special Security Event. This is being forwarded for your situational awareness.

Respectfully,

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Office of the Executive Secretariat  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
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**Ha, Richard**

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**From:** VAExecSec  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 16, 2018 1:12 PM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: OPM MEMO - 2018 Combined Federal Campaign

-----Original Message-----

From: AllAgencyHeads [mailto:ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV] On Behalf Of OPMExecSec  
Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 11:03 AM  
To: ALLAGENCYHEADS@LISTSERV.OPM.GOV  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] OPM MEMO - 2018 Combined Federal Campaign

Good morning,

Please see attached and below for OPM's 2018 Combined Federal Campaign memo

(b) (6)  
Deputy Executive Secretary  
Office of the Director  
U.S. Office of Personnel Management  
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MEMORANDUM FOR HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

FROM: DR. JEFF T.H. PON  
DIRECTOR

Subject: 2018 Combined Federal Campaign

Through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), members of the Federal family demonstrate that our commitment to public service extends far beyond the workplace. Last year, Federal employees voluntarily participating in the CFC contributed more than \$104 million to thousands of local, national and international causes in both funds and volunteer time. The people we serve are all the better for it.

Today, I am pleased to announce that the Honorable Josephine K. Olsen, Ph.D., Director of the Peace Corps, will serve as Honorary Chairperson of the 2018 Campaign. This year's CFC solicitation period will run from September 10, 2018, through January 11, 2019.

**Your Leadership is Important**

I am asking for your support in helping to lead and promote this year's campaign as well as the CFC structure where your organization employs Federal workers. Your active and visible leadership is critical to a successful campaign. With your help, we can make sure campaign workers in your organization reach every Federal employee to let them know how

they can make a voluntary contribution and pledge volunteer time to support organizations that help people in need. To help make this easy, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) will provide a package of tools that you can use to communicate with your employees and senior executives.

#### Encourage Support to Administer the CFC

There is a direct correlation between the CFC's success and the dedication of the leaders who administer the campaign within their agencies and in 36 CFC Zones around the world. Without a personal solicitation from a colleague, employees are less likely to participate in the program.

I strongly recommend that you allow employees in your Department or Agency to serve on the Local Federal Coordinating Committee (LFCC). A strong LFCC is the foundation of a successful local campaign. Please encourage your employees to serve in other leadership opportunities such as CFC campaign managers, loaned executives, coordinators, and key workers to the extent permissible during the campaign period. These positions are often a great way to develop professional skills, such as public speaking, financial accountability, and expertise in building public-private sector partnerships.

#### Key Changes for 2018

Last year, OPM contracted with The Give Back Foundation (the central campaign administrator or CCA) to develop and deploy a new national CFC Online Donation System. During this same time, we introduced the new CFC Online Donation System ([www.opm.gov/showsomalovecfc](http://www.opm.gov/showsomalovecfc)) which replaced electronic CFC modules in Employee Express and myPay, as well as a variety of local systems. For the 2018 campaign, we updated that system to accommodate some of the changes that were most requested by Federal employees and other donors. Continuing with the fall 2018 CFC period, campaign workers will direct anyone choosing to make an online pledge to this CFC Online Donation System. The only exceptions are employees in the Intelligence Community and the Department of State.

New rules implemented last year also streamline the process for Federal shared services and payroll providers. They now disburse funds to one organization instead of over 120 organizations as required by the prior regulations. The new process reduces the burden on your human resources and customer service employees in Finance Centers. It also makes management of CFC pledges easier for charities.

#### Benefits

This new CFC Online Donation System also increases transparency and ensures that the contributions made by Federal, Postal, and Military personnel reach the people who need help the most. The benefits of the new CFC Online Donation System to the government include:

- \* All Federal, Postal, and military personnel have access to one electronic giving platform to support all charities across all Zones.
- \* Increased transparency and accountability with fees disclosed up front to the donor before they pledge. The CFC recovers the cost of administering the campaign through fees assessed of charities.
- \* A new avenue for collecting recurring gifts by annuitants who could make only one-time pledges in the past. Retirees gave more than \$500 thousand to their favorite charities through CFC in 2017.
- \* The ability to engage employees to give volunteer time in addition to monetary pledges. In the first year, pledges of volunteer time amounted to more than 125,000 hours valued at over \$3 million by the charities they serve.
- \* An additional new feature enables newly hired employees who start their Federal service outside the CFC solicitation period to establish a pledge to their approved local, national, or international charities. This "New Hires" will extend from February 1 through August 1 of every year. To continue a new hire pledge, those employees will need to make an election during the regular solicitation period with their colleagues annually.

As a reminder, for financial security, the CFC no longer accepts cash donations. Now, special events during your campaign must focus on increasing employee awareness of CFC charities, and their missions-not cash fundraising. While

popular CFC events such as bake sales or chili cook-offs are not prohibited (in fact, they're encouraged as campaign awareness and engagement events), their use as fund-raising events is no longer authorized.

If you have any questions, please email [cfc@opm.gov](mailto:cfc@opm.gov) or call (202) 606-2564.

**Ha, Richard**

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**From:** VAExecSec  
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**To:** Nguyen, Nhi  
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**THE WHITE HOUSE  
OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT  
DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT AND TRACKING UNIT**

Please see attached letter addressed to the President.

To: **Department of Veteran Affairs**

Action Requested: **For Your Information/No Action Necessary**

To: **Office of Management and Budget**

Action Requested: **For Your Information/No Action Necessary**

Please send a copy of response or draft response for signature (if one is requested) to the Document Management and Tracking Unit mailbox, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) [WHO.EOP.GOV](mailto:WHO.EOP.GOV). include any additional comments and/or actions taken by your agency. If more information is needed call (202) 456-(b) (6), (b) (7)



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**TIMOTHY G. SEKERAK**  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
CHIEF CLERK

**STATE CAPITOL BUILDING**

June 26, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of Oregon's Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly, I am hereby enclosing the following for your consideration:

**House Joint Memorial 6:**

Urges Congress to change funding of veterans' health care from discretionary entitlement to permanent and direct entitlement.

Sincerely,

Timothy G. Sekerak  
Chief Clerk

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Enclosures





**Enrolled**  
**House Joint Memorial 6**

Sponsored by Representatives ESQUIVEL, EVANS, Senator OLSEN; Representatives BYNUM, FAHEY, GOMBERG, LIVELY, MEEK, PARRISH, POST, SOLLMAN, Senators BOQUIST, FERRIOLI, JOHNSON

To the President of the United States and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled:

We, your memorialists, the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent as follows:

Whereas the future of our nation and the American way of life depend on this nation's success in defending itself against its enemies at home and abroad; and

Whereas the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard, the reserve components and the National Guard of each state have performed admirably and bravely in defense of this nation; and

Whereas a grateful nation cares for and bestows benefits upon its brave veterans to whom this nation owes its present prosperity and continued existence; and

Whereas veterans' benefits include education, health care, pensions and disability payments; and

Whereas George Washington, first President of the United States and Commander in Chief of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War, is reported to have said, "The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional as to how they perceive the veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by their nation"; and

Whereas for fiscal year 2017, veterans can receive health care services through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs health care system only to the extent that congressional appropriations allow; and

Whereas the provision of veterans' health care is exceedingly important to veterans and their families and survivors; and

Whereas the provision of payments to disabled veterans is among the most solemn responsibilities of the American people; and

Whereas federal spending on veterans' health care is discretionary rather than mandatory and direct, as are many entitlement programs; now, therefore,

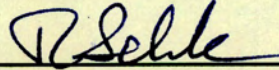
**Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

(1) The Congress of the United States of America is respectfully urged to change the funding of veterans' health care from a discretionary entitlement to a permanent and direct entitlement.

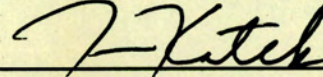
(2) A copy of this memorial shall be sent to the President of the United States and to each member of the Oregon Congressional Delegation.



Adopted by House April 10, 2017

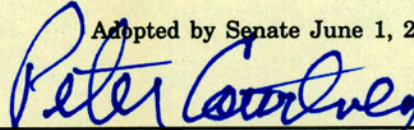


Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House



Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

Adopted by Senate June 1, 2017



Peter Courtney, President of Senate